



Federal Subsistence Board

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U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
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Dear Reader:

The Federal Subsistence Board invites your comments on the enclosed proposals to change Federal subsistence regulations for the July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2003, regulatory year. These proposals suggest changes to Federal customary and traditional use determinations, as well as Federal subsistence open season, harvest limits, methods, and means for the taking of wildlife on Federal public lands in Alaska. The enclosed proposals address subsistence wildlife harvests only.

Comments may be mailed to the Board at the address noted above, faxed to 907-786-3898, or E-mailed to Bill_Knauer@fws.gov. **Comments received by January 18, 2002, will be provided to the Regional Councils for discussion during winter meetings.** Comments submitted after the winter Regional Council meetings will be submitted to the Board for consideration at its spring meeting. Please reference the proposal number(s) in your comments.

During the public review period, the Board's staff will prepare a technical analysis on each proposal. In a public meeting in Anchorage, May 14-16, 2002, the Board will consider technical analyses, Regional Council recommendations, and public testimony in reaching decisions on the proposed changes. Final regulations for the 2002-2003 regulatory year will become effective July 1, 2002, and a regulations booklet will be published and distributed throughout Alaska at that time.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Subsistence Management, toll free at (800) 478-1456, or in Anchorage at 786-3888. Regional subsistence coordinators are also available to assist you, and can be reached at the telephone numbers listed on a separate page in this booklet. Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may call (907) 786-3874 TTY or the Federal Relay Service, (800) 877-8339.

Sincerely,

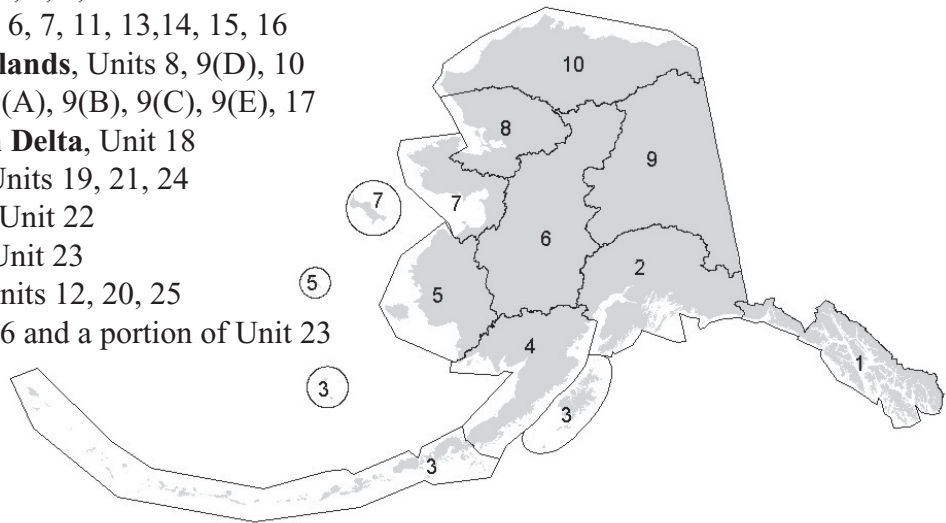
Mitch Demientieff, Chair
Federal Subsistence Board

Tentative Dates Winter Regional Advisory Council Meetings

Southeast Region —Hoonah	March 12–14, 2002
Southcentral —Anchorage	March 5–6, 2002
Kodiak/Aleutian Islands Region —Kodiak	March 18–19, 2002
Bristol Bay Region —Dillingham	To be announced at a later date.
Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta Region —Tuntutuliak	March 6–7, 2002
Western Interior Region —McGrath	March 19–21, 2002
Seward Peninsula Region —Nome	February 26–27, 2002
Northwest Arctic Region —Kotzebue	March 21, 2002
Eastern Interior Region —Circle Hot Springs	February 25–27, 2002
North Slope Region —Barrow	February 20–21, 2002

Federal Subsistence Resource Regions

- 1** Southeast, Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
- 2** Southcentral, Units 6, 7, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16
- 3** Kodiak/Aleutian Islands, Units 8, 9(D), 10
- 4** Bristol Bay, Units 9(A), 9(B), 9(C), 9(E), 17
- 5** Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta, Unit 18
- 6** Western Interior, Units 19, 21, 24
- 7** Seward Peninsula, Unit 22
- 8** Northwest Arctic, Unit 23
- 9** Eastern Interior, Units 12, 20, 25
- 10** North Slope, Unit 26 and a portion of Unit 23



For further information, contact the following Regional Council Coordinators:

Southeast: Fred Clark, 1-800-586-7895 or 907-586-7895

Southcentral and Seward Peninsula: Ann Wilkinson, 1-800-478-1456 or 907-786-3676

Kodiak/Aleutian Islands: Michelle Chivers, 1-800-478-1456 or 907-786-3877

Bristol Bay: Cliff Edenshaw, 1-800-478-1456 or 907-786-3870

Yukon/Kuskokwim Delta: Alex Nick, 1-800-621-5804 (ext. 257) or 907-543-1037

Western Interior: Vince Mathews, 1-800-267-3997 or 907-456-0277

Northwest Arctic and North Slope: Barbara Armstrong, 1-800-492-8848 or 907-442-3799

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